

Church News.

THE BETHANY CHURCH.

While our building was scattered to the winds, we yet live and move. The people of Kansas are recovering from the effects of the terrible storm as well as could be expected. At present Bethany church holds service in a school house, called Little Chapel, a familiar name to many. Our Sunday morning appointment is here. The evening appointment is divided between Hamlin and Preston. Hamlin is a town on the St. Joe and Grand Island R. R. Preston is in Nebraska, the point where we had the revival last winter. Here I organized a church last Saturday night. We have resolved to build a home this fall and will meet for business concerning it on 24th of this month. Bethany has done a good work. There was a marriage on the evening the church was dedicated, and a funeral a short time before the loss; between the marriage and the funeral there must have been eighty additions, mostly by baptism, and out of this there has come the church at Preston. Brother Wallace has charge of the Sunday-school, brother C. Stull of the young people, and sister Anna Syster, is president of the S. S. for C. E. When sister Laura, the president of the National work was with us, she found the work under unfavorable circumstances. Since then the sisters have reorganized, and are receiving new members, and have fifty dollars in the treasury, earned by their own efforts. We made no call for help through the paper, but did so privately, and have had some response. The Pony Creek church and the Bethany church were originally one congregation. When disaster came it was agreed that all money collected outside of the members of the two congregations would be divided, hence churches that have sent money to either side are helping both. This is as it should be. We be brethren, and should help each other. All donations will be acknowledged in due time. Seven churches in a few miles were struck. Six of them demolished. This makes it hard to solicit, but in spite of obstacles, the work goes on. By God's help we will run through a troop and jump over a wall. Of our work we will have more to say later.

JOHN DUKE MCFADEN.

A BRETHREN CHURCH AT NATIONAL CAPITAL.

On the 17th inst., Brother Bowman of Philadelphia, and I met in Washington D. C., and we now have an organized church of about 25 members there, with

Brother Lyon as pastor, and Brother Deal as deacon. The membership of this Gospel band seem to be earnest and full of the spirit of devotion, reaching out for a higher spiritual life. Upon the whole we were favorably impressed with the people and prospect for ingathering. But as their support as a mission has been withdrawn, it now fully devolves on the Brethren church at large to give substantial support to this noble cause. I most earnestly appeal to the pastors of Virginia and Maryland to urge their various churches to give liberally. We cannot allow this opportunity for doing good to pass.

Let some of our brethren give one dollar per month, or whatever they may feel, and send it to me, and it shall be forwarded. Or forward your donation to the Mission Board, with direction that it be applied to the Washington Mission. It occurs to us if we support this mission with our money and prayers, we soon will have a strong church of Gospel workers in the city of National Capital. To our minister we will say as you pass, call on Brother Lyon, 315 9th St., S. E. Give him notice but a short time and his flock will meet you. I have the pleasure to introduce Brother Lyon to our brotherhood, with the faith and hope that much good will result by his faithful effort.

E. B. SHAVER.

Maurertown, Va.

THE KANEMORADO CONFERENCE.

The Kanemorado Conference held at McLouth Kans., last week, had a very interesting session though the attendance was small.

It was voted that the District would raise its quota to pay Ashland college debt.

Brother J. D. McFaden was elected District Evangelist.

Brother E. L. Yoder represents the District on the Executive Committee at Warsaw.

Brethren E. L. Yoder, J. D. McFaden and J. R. Keller, expect to be at Warsaw Conference as delegates.

E. L. YODER.

FROM DUNLAPS, IND.

The harvest meeting at this place passed off very pleasantly. Excellent weather, and a grand sermon by Brother Beal in the forenoon. In the evening at our King's Children exercises, the house was crowded, and many had to leave for want of room. Taking everything into consideration, we feel we had a glorious meeting.

MRS. A. R. BEMENDERFER.

PROGRAM FOR UNION MEETING.

To Be Held in South Bend Church, Ind., August 27, 1896.

- 10 A. M., Song and Praise Service, A. R. Bemenderfer.
- 10:10 A. M., Address of Welcome, Jesse Calvert.
- 10:15, Response, W. D. Furry.
- 10:20, Women's Work, Sister Jesse Calvert.
- 10:35, Discussion.
- 10:45, The Relation of the Church to the Pastor and Vice Versa, C. F. Yoder.
- 11, Discussion.
- 11:10, Why are Some Members of the Church so Careless in Their Attendance at Worship, The Remedy, G. M. Wry.
- 11:20, Discussion.
- 11:35, Song and Benediction.
- (Dinner at church.)

AFTERNOON SESSION.

- 1:30, Devotional Exercises, C. F. Yoder.
- 1:45, Report of Churches and Sunday-schools.
- 2:15, Man's Work in the Church, Hattie Frame.
- 2:30, Discussion.
- 2:40, Will we not miss some of the Doctrinal Points by Using International Sunday-school Quarterlies in our Sunday-schools, A. F. Bemenderfer, and Jacob Rothenberge.
- 3:00, Discussion.
- 3:15, Our Individual Responsibility as Members of Church and Sunday-school, Walter Clark.
- 3:40, Miscellaneous Business.
- 4:00, Intermission.
- 7:20, Communion.

G. W. WRY, chairman of com.

CONFERENCE OF MICHIGAN.

To all of the churches of Michigan greeting;—As chairman of the executive committee, this is to inform you that the executive committee have decided hold the conference at the Campbell church, Barry county, Mich., on the 7, 8, and 9 of October 1896. Hoping that this will be acceptable with all. We would like all the churches in Michigan to elect their delegates to the conference and instruct your delegates, what you want them to say or do. If you have anything to be put upon the program, send it to brother A. O. Rourke, Almena, Van Buren county, Mich.

A cordial invitation is extended to all the brethren.

BY ORDER OF COMMITTEE,
J. D. SOLOMON, Chairman,